

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

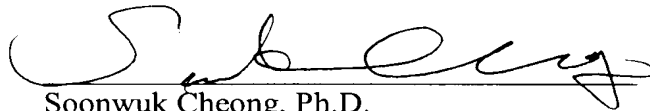
Applicants thank the Office for indicating that Claims 6-7 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims (see Office Action, page 5).

Following the Office's suggestions, Claim 6 has been amended to be an independent claim including all of the limitations of original Claims 1, 5 and 6. Claims 7-8 have been amended to be dependent from amended Claim 6. Claims 1-5 have been canceled. No new matter has been added.

Consequently, in view of the present amendment, no further issues are believed to be outstanding in the present application, and the present application is believed to be in condition for formal allowance. An early and favorable action is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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